

U.S. Appl. No. 09/975,847
Reply to Office Action dated May 13, 2005

PATENT
450100-03540

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing apparatus for distributing contents data, said information processing apparatus comprising:

input means for receiving input of information from said other information processing apparatus;

display means for displaying a Web page input by said input means;

output means for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus, signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed by said display means,

wherein said information processing apparatus is adapted to distinguish suffixes appended to contents data input by said input means;

playing means for playing said contents data ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said contents data is a first suffix; and

saving means for saving said contents data and first information relating to said contents data, ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said contents data is a second suffix.

U.S. Appl. No. 09/975,847
Reply to Office Action dated May 13, 2005

PATENT
450100-03540

2. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said first suffix is Active Streaming Format (.asf) or Moving Pictures Experts Group Layer 3 Playlist File (.m3u).

3. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said second suffix is Windows Media Audio (.wma) or Moving Pictures Experts Group Layer 3 (.mp3).

4. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising setting means for setting a storing area for said contents data and said first information saved by said saving means.

5. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising:

judging means for judging whether or not obtaining second information containing an encryption key for decrypting said contents data is necessary, based on said first information saved by said saving means; and

notifying means for notifying said user of the necessity to obtain said second information in order to use said contents data, in the event that judgment is made by said judging means that obtaining said second information is necessary.

6. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising:

U.S. Appl. No. 09/975,847
Reply to Office Action dated May 13, 2005

PATENT
450100-03540

registering means for registering information relating to said contents data saved
by said saving means; and

wherein the display means displays a list of said contents, based on said first
information registered by said registering means.

7. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an
information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing
apparatus for distributing contents data, said method comprising:

an input step for receiving input of information from said other information
processing apparatus;

a display step for displaying a Web page input by the processing in said input
step;

an output step for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus,
signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed
by the processing in said display step;

a distinguishing step for distinguishing suffixes appended to contents data input
by the processing in said input step;

a playing step for playing said contents data ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said
contents data is distinguished to be a first suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step; and

a saving step for saving said contents data and information relating to said
contents data, ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a second
suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step.

U.S. Appl. No. 09/975,847
Reply to Office Action dated May 13, 2005

PATENT
450100-03540

8. (Currently Amended) A program storing medium storing a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing apparatus for distributing contents data, said program comprising:

code for an input step for receiving input of information from said other information processing apparatus;

code for a display step for displaying a Web page input by the processing in said input step;

code for an output step for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus, signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed by the processing in said display step;

code for a distinguishing step for distinguishing suffixes appended to contents data input by the processing in said input step;

code for a playing step for playing said contents data ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a first suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step; and

code for a saving step for saving said contents data and information relating to said contents data, ~~when in the event that~~ a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a second suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step.